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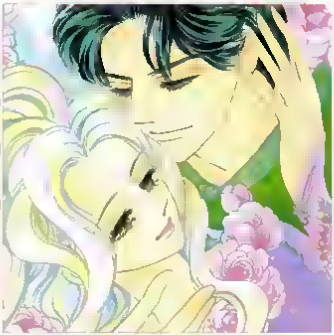

Jake! Don't be stupid!
You want to marry Kitty?
I love Kitty.
I'm serious, Mother.
I can't allow it!
You can't!
Jake, Kitty...
...is your little sister!
Mother?

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In the mansion all day
He's hasn't been anywhere
Where are you?
Jake?
Kitty
He was gone before I woke up
I've always loved you
ever since we were kids
I love you, Kitty.
I love you.
I love you, too.
I'm so happy, Jake.

...I only love you like a sister.
But...

...and made a huge mistake.
But last night, I was drunk...
...like a little sister.
I care about you...
Jake?

Jake.
...It can't happen.
...If it turns out you're you have to tell me.
pregnant...

Did you have to go somewhere today?
I've been looking for you, Jake.

...It was a mistake.
Kitty

I love you, but...
What was a mistake?
What?

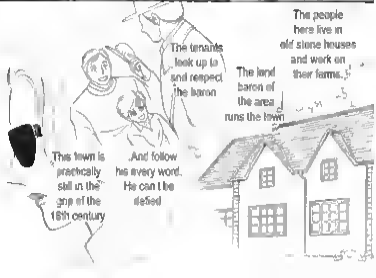
I know you do.
Yes.
Last night was a mistake.

Northern England. Sprawling hillsides as far as the eye can see.
The light green of grass
and the pale blue of the sky
this lawn's colors seem so weak.
Compared to the strong rays of California
Y-
you can't..
I don't believe you!
Wait, Wait! Jake!
Jake!
-Vroom

8 years ago this town was my entire world
Until 8 years ago it all seemed so normal to me.

It hasn't changed at all after 8 years
The water mill
The wooden bridge over the stream

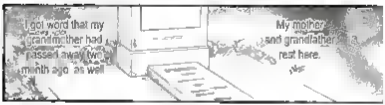
probably wouldn't change after 100 years.
No
This village


The people here live in old stone houses and work on their farms.
The tenants look up to and respect the baron
The land baron of the area runs the town
This town is practically still in the age of the 18th century
..And follow his every word. He can't be defied

You've finally come.

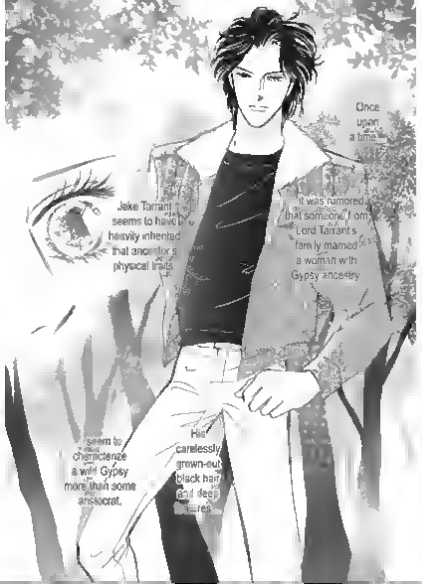
Jake

Everybody who's died here over hundreds of years are all buried here
An old cemetery at the edge of town


I got word that my mother and grandfather had passed away two month ago as well
My mother and grandfather rest here.

So why ?
Why did I bother to come back?
With my grandmother dead
There's no more reason for me to have anything to do with this town
Still
I have no family left.

Jake.
It's been a while.
You're coming home rather late, aren't you?


Once upon a time...
It was rumored that someone from Lord Tarrant's family married a woman with Gypsy ancestry
Jake Tarrant seems to have inherited that ancestor's physical traits.
He seems to cherish a wife Gypsy more than some aristocrat.
Her carelessly grown-out black hair and deep features

I don't care about any of that!

How, Kitty?
How can you be so cold to the two people who raised you?
You didn't reply when we sent word your grandmother fell ill.
And now you're here, 2 months after her death?
You left this town 8 years ago and never come back once, Kitty
Even when your grandfather passed away 4 years ago

I had to, to settle affairs.

I can't let my grandmother's house and farm go unattended.
Affairs?

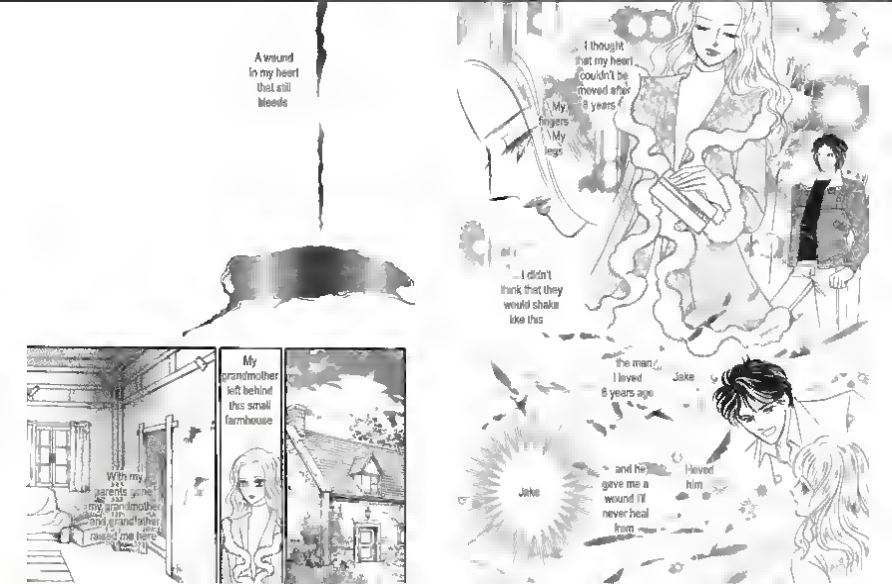
I never wanted to come back at all.

I'll reimburse you.
How much did it cost?
Yes.
Thank you.

Besides...
...I'm sure the Tarmas family took care of grandmother's funeral arrangements.

You mean the manor house?
Your place?
Come by my place tomorrow and sign the papers.
Then I'll buy them.
It's the home we only used to use in the summer.
You don't know it?
Tubeck ...?
No. I'm living in Tubeck now.
Yes.
I'll come get you at 12 o clock tomorrow.
You're staying at the town inn, right?
Then I'll pick you up.
I've never been there.
I never wanted to come back to this village ever again.
..I told you.
I don't even want to remember it.
... Yes.
That's the plan.
No point in owning them in a town you don t want to remember
So you're going to sell the house and farm?

I wanted to look into your eyes.
To see if they're as cold as your words.
Right. Tomorrow
See you tomorrow.
I'm leaving!
Now you know that they are.
Kristy.
See you tomorrow.
All right.
Was there something else?
Yank
What do you think you're doing?
Hey!


A wound
in my heart
that still
bleeds
I thought
that my heart
couldn't be
moved after
6 years
My
fingers
My
legs
I didn't
think that they
would shake
like this
the man
I loved
6 years ago
Jake
Jake
and he
gave me a
wound I'll
never heal
from
Never
him
With my
parents
gone,
my grandmother
and grandfather
raised me here
My
grandmother
left behind
this small
farmhouse

That was where I met Jake
but Jake always stood up for me
His little sister Meryl who was my age would laugh at me
The popular Jake calling my name
...made me feel like Cinderella being chosen by the prince
Over here, Kitty.
When I met him at the church Sunday school
...that no one knows who my father was
And
They told me that my mother died giving birth to me
and grew up in silent obedience.
I could never talk back.
...it was as if they were taking out their anger at my mother
who had a child without telling them the father out on me
Especially when I came to me
My grandparents were strict old-fashioned people
When I was 16, I was sent to work at the manor house
My grandparents were poor even for this town
I didn't have anyone who loved me, and would laugh with me
I realized that I wasn't like other children
Once I was a little older
I didn't have a kind, loving family that smiled at me

Love will steer you toward happiness...
...and support you.
No. Love can be a burden and cause pain.
If only I'd never loved Jake.
I never would have been hurt.
If I hadn't fallen in love with Jake I never would've had to cry like that.

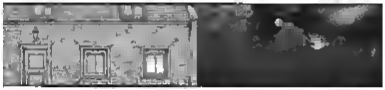
Love is the single greatest gift from God.
Love is a beacon of light in your heart.
It touches you sympathy and compassion.
...guiding you to become a richer human being.
And more than anything, treasure your love of others.
Treasure the people who love you.

You have to come back and rehearse!
Just we have to start shooting next month!
I understand that you're still upset.
Beeeeep
Call me as soon as you get this! All right?
All right, Kitty?
In the 8 years since I left this town
Grant Maxwell is a powerful and handsome Hollywood star
I've been learning to act under Grant's wing
He's incredibly popular with women
and still a bachelor although in his 40s
He's been in many hit movies

Gasp
Ring Ring
Ring Ring
Ring Ring
Grant
Where are you?
Kitty!
Please leave a message.
Beep

It hasn't been able to rejoice, what I'd lost.
No matter how elegant the people I surround myself with are,
the real me is still alone...
...staring into the hole that's been made in my heart.

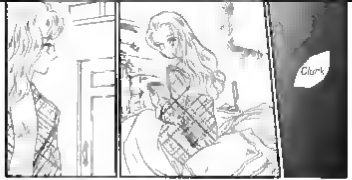
Thanks to him I've become a successful actress.
and I live a life of luxury and freedom.
Still



Crackle Crackle
Whoops!
With that much firewood, I should be fine until morning.
It didn't occur to me that the electricity would be turned off,
but I have a lamp and flashlight.

Is so... This quiet... town
This house
Maybe I missed this quiet.
about what to do from now on
me he

It's so quiet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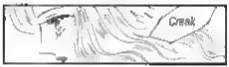
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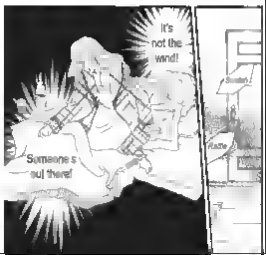

It's not the wind!
Someone's out there!
Shatter
Rattle
Rattle

The wind?

Its aroma is gone, but it's warming me up.
Thus is the wine my grandmother had from my grandfather.
I found something else.
And ..

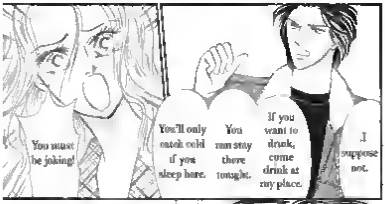
always liked to write but after having one of my stories published last year my dreams of becoming a writer grew
As long as I have this time to be alone I want to write
It was the beginning of my troubles with Grant.
When I said that I wanted to quit acting to become a writer
2 years ago I began writing short stories.

Jake...!
What are you doing here?

You scared me half to death!
What am I doing here?

Who?
Turn
Who would come here at this time of night?
Ah!

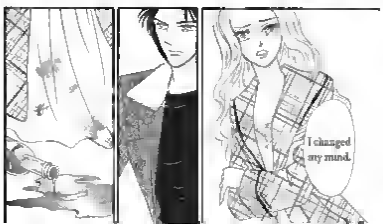
I'm not the child I was 6 years ago.
Oh? Everyone drinks a little.
Seems you've picked up some bad habits.


You must be joking!
You'll only catch cold if you sleep here.
You can stay there tonight.
If you want to drink, come drink at my place.
...I suppose not.

I like it here.
How could I stay in the house Jake shares with his wife?
Joking?
Don't you feel the cold?

How did you get outside?
...and started a fire in here.
I thought a gang had broken in...
I saw a light from the window when I was driving by.

Weren't you going to stay at the inn?
So what are you doing here?
Through the window in the bathroom. The lock was loose, and I got it open from outside.
I'll have to repair it later.


I changed my mind.

everyone was worried sick about you!
Kitty! After you ran away from this town 8 years ago,
It was the only way to keep track of you!
Can you imagine how shocked we all were?
As Kitty Corgan, the heroine of a Grant Maxwell TV show.
Then suddenly, you showed up on TV a year later!
there are rumors that you're Grant Maxwell's new girlfriend!
And as your personal life.
I'm sure that they were all surprised that the poor girl they made fun of became an actress.
I'll bet.
Judging by the state you're in, anyway.
I decided that I could relax here, without anyone bothering me.
I didn't know you read the gossip column.
Oh?
Seems the rumors were true.
that you broke up with Grant Maxwell and got fired from the show.

I don't even want to think about it!
What kind of spell do you think I cast?

Still.

...and you showed up alone on this town.
Maxwell was seen at a resort with another actress.
Then there was the exclusive on your fight.
There were rumors of affairs with other actresses while Maxwell was living with you.
It seems even you...
... weren't able to stop a man like him.

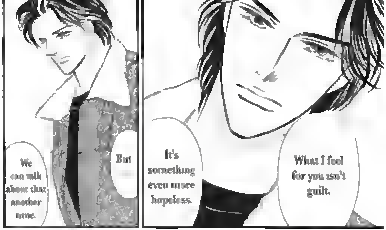
Passionate couple 20 years apart in age.
Grant Maxwell's new girlfriend!
New actress, Kitty Corgan.
"Kitty is the perfect woman for me." Will the renowned bachelor finally fall?
Couple shows up at reception.
Mansion the couple live in, exposed!
Kitty Corgan. Her devilish charm says it all
Appearing in Maxwell's next feature
It's incredible.
...but you became a star overnight.
I don't know what kind of spell you cast.
Kitty Corgan wins 'Best New Actress' award

We fight all the time, but always end up back together.
I don't know about that
Maxwell and I have a special relationship.
That's why you ran away, here
You ended things with Maxwell, didn't you?
Even now, if I snap my fingers...
...Maxwell would come running for me.
Kitty!
Why didn't you ever write back?
I'm not.
I'm just worried about you.
Kitty!
Worried?
In 9 years, you've never once replied.
I even called.
I sent letters to your agency many times.
Who are you to tell me what I should do?
Why should I?
Are you lecturing me?
Aren't you embarrassed to be the lover of a man 20 years older than you?
Kitty?
You!

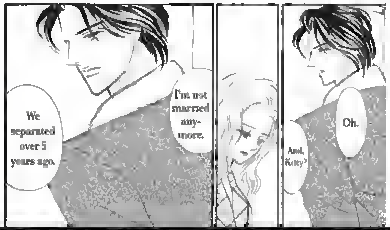
The day that I left this town.
Stop it, you liar!
Kitty?
That isn't true!
I've been worried about you ever since ...
... you were on your honeymoon with your new wife!
And I was forced to leave this town alone with my secret...
If you were happy.
If you were doing well.
I was worried about you.
What did you want from me, anyway?
What was I supposed to say?
Liar!
You're nothing but a liar!
Why would anyone have worried about me after I left this town?
Neither you, nor anyone else, ever cared about me!
Why would you worry about me?

If you're asking me what I can see ..
Kitty.
...you don't look happy, about any of it to me.
Kitty.
...what you're feeling is guilt..
If..
I've succeeded as an actress.
I have a life where I can do as I please.
And I can get Maxwell back any time I feel like it.
As you can see, I'm very happy.
So put your mind at ease and go back to your wife.
...because the woman you tossed aside isn't happy.
That's unnecessary.

Why?
Jake's gotten married!
Jake isn't mine anymore.
Why?
And now they're seperated?
Why?


We can talk about that another time.
But
It's something even more hopeless.
What I feel for you isn't guilt.

You don't want to catch cold.
If you've staying here, at least use the bed and stay warm.
I'll go home.


We separated over 5 years ago.
I'm not married anymore.
Oh.
And, Kelly?

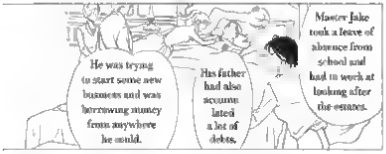
It's been a long time, Jessie.
Is it really you, Kitty?
Jessie.
You seem well, Jessie. I'm glad.
Of course, I know you're beautiful from seeing you on TV.
You look beautiful!
You haven't shown your face around here in ages.
It's been longer than that.
I thought I should come to you, rather than have you climb through the window again.
Yes.
There you are.
Why don't you stay and eat, Kitty?
I made too much food for lunch!
This is perfect!
Why...?
If it isn't little Kitty!
Kitty!

Then it's only you and Jake that live here?
The lady of the house has been living with them for some time now
Mistress Meryl got married and is living in the next town.
Jake!
Master Jake's assistant, a boy named Drew.
Oh, no. There's one more.
What?
A few others are hurt, as well.
Oh, speak of the devil.
Drew! Let's go.
I warned Bobson to fix those shelves!
One of the Bobson goats got pinned under a fallen shelf

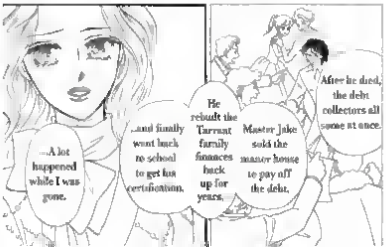
You always used to say that.
Oh, Jesse.
We have to fatten this skinny little thing up!
Later Later
Lunch first.
Kitty has to read the real estate forms.
Jesse,
You used to love to eat my cooking, Kitty!
Jesse the Tarrant housemaid was always nice to me
We have to make this skinny little thing eat up!
You really haven't changed.
Yes, Master Jake. But you care more about volume than quality.
I always clean my plate.
You're exaggerating.
Your sister and mother?
Where are the others?
It's a waste of my talents, I tell you.
Master Jake doesn't roast, no matter what I make.

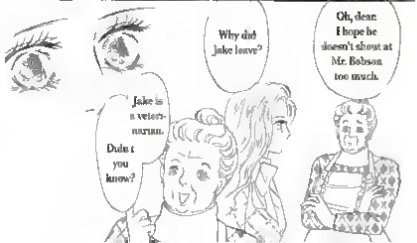
Oh, yes.
His father passed away very suddenly.
...but I'd heard that he dropped out.
I knew he was studying it in college.

Katey
Bring the car around!

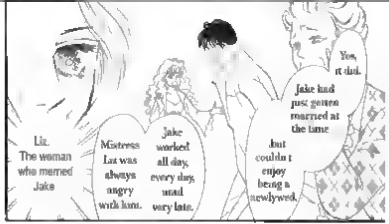

He was trying to start some new business and was borrowing money from anywhere he could.
His father had also accumulated a lot of debts.
Master Jake took a leave of absence from school and had to work at looking after the estates.

A. All right.
You'll have to wait until then.
I'll be back in about 2 hours.


...A lot happened while I was gone.
...and finally went back to school to get his certification.
He rebuilt the Tarrant family finances back up for years.
Master Jake sold the manor house to pay off the debt.
After he died, the debt collectors all came at once.

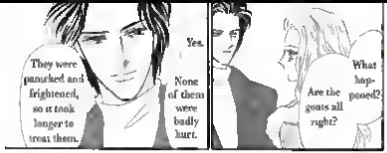

Why did Jake leave?
Oh, dear. I hope he doesn't shout at Mr. Bobson too much.
Jake is a veterinarian.
Didn't you know?

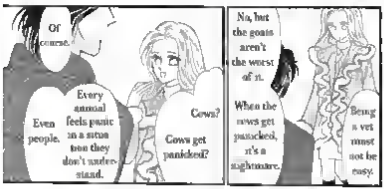
...when he tried to get Master Jake and the rich Mistress Lax to marry.
I think that his father must have been thinking about his debts.


Liz. The woman who married Jake
Mistress Lax was always angry with him.
Jake worked all day, every day, until very late.
Yes, it did.
Jake had just gotten married at the time
...but couldn't enjoy being a newlywed.

And she just left. ?
...she should have been there for him during the hard times!
If she loved Jake and married him...
Who does she think she is?
Master Jake didn't have the luxury of going after her
In the end, Lax couldn't bear it and left for her parents place.

But Lax was a very privileged girl from a rich family.
I'm sure that's what you would have done, Kitty.
Getting angry at me won't help.

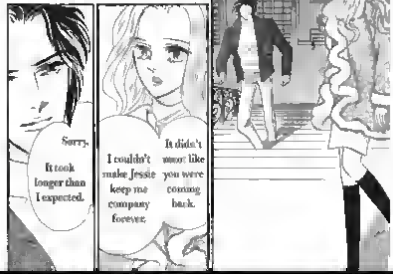

They were panicked and frightened, so it took longer to treat them.
Yes.
None of them were badly hurt.
Are the goats all right?
What happened?


Of course.
Even people.
Every animal feels panic in a situation they don't understand.
Cows?
Cows get panicked?
No, but the goats aren't the worst of it.
When the cows get panicked, it's a nightmare.
Being a vet must not be easy.

...everyone panics.
...and experience tremendous pain...
If you don't know what's happened.
...I suppose so.

There you are.

Jake.
I asked you to wait.


Sorry.
It took longer than I expected.
I couldn't make Jessie keep me company forever.
It didn't seem like you were coming back.

Jake was rushing me, so I didn't get to see her very well.
...it was Kitty Corgan, wasn't it?
Hey, Jesse. That woman earlier
She was almost like a fairy.
Oh, Kitty was always a pretty girl.
Who'd've thought such a beauty could come from here?
I'd heard rumors she was from this town.
She sure was beautiful, though.
Like a world that was invisible, except to them.
When they were together ...it was as if there was a different air about them.
She and Jake got along so well.
...but I'm not sure exactly what happened.
It was 8 years ago.
I suppose things never go as they should.
I always thought those two would wind up together someday.
I didn't tell Jesse where I was going.
How did you know I would be here?
I knew you would come to the manor house sooner or later.
The scene of our crime.

Stop it!
Ank!
Hey, come.
I'd rather have you than another drink.
Get away from Kitty!
But, Jake
I have to help Jessie
Go home!
What are you doing here so late?
Jake!
the manor house was all lit u
years ago...
Plenty of food and drink were provided.
On the night of New Year's Eve, the manor house was open to the town people.
It was full of people in their best clothes.
but Lady Sophie was keeping the guests entertained.
The Lord Charles Tarrant wasn't there yet...
We served dish after dish drink after drink.
The other maids and I had our hands full helping Jessie.

Rustle
Sleep well.
Kitty.

You're going back to the ball?
Jake ?

Going
Are you all right?
Yes, I still have to keep the guests entertained for a while longer.
I've had too much to drink already.

Out...
I can't go home.
Go home.
and no place for a kid like you.
This place is full of drunks.
I'll talk to Jessie for you.

To that one.
They'll be asleep by now.
They both think I'll be working all night.
My grandparents.

It's very warm.
And here's my blanket.
Jessie hung it outside today, so it smells like sunshine.
Here's my pillow.
I know they've a bit bag for you.
Those are my pajamas.

Kitty
I love you, Kitty
were the greatest gift in the world
Jake's words
I was surrounded by happiness for the first time in my life!
I felt as if I were wrapped up in his kisses
and noticed that Jake was gone
Until I woke up

It's the 12 o clock chime.

Happy New Year.
Jake.

Happy New Year.
Kitty

Since that night, I..
Jessie already told me.
What did she tell you?
Not to a girl from a poor family like me
but to a rich girl!
.. you had to get married.
That when your father died, in order to pay it off
That your family had a lot of debt.

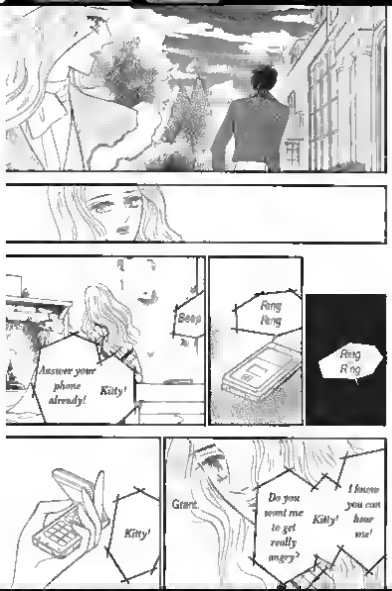
What happened over the next 2 months..
was like a bad dream
When I woke up
Jake was already gone
The worst days were still to come
It all fell apart, and I lost everything
Everything in my life changed
I want you to know what happened.

Why did you cast me aside?
Then why?
He loved her, not me.
He chose her over me
That's all there is to it.
Why ?
I know why.
If it wasn't for money Then Jake married her
because he loved her

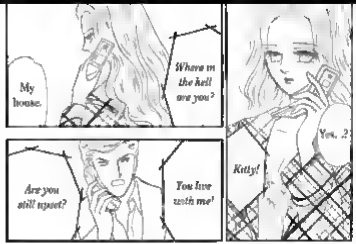
That's exactly the sort of thinking I'd expect from someone who s sold herself to a man 20 years older than her!
You make me sick!
You think I married for money?
It wasn't like that!
Yes!
Are you saying that you didn t?
You are a man who married for money Jake!
And I was stupid to fall in love with a man like you!

Kitty
I want you to listen to me.
I can't hate him or give up on him
I can't forget Jake
No matter how much time passes
...Some other time.
Let us go home, for now.
I promise.
We can talk about the house and property another time.
Kitty?

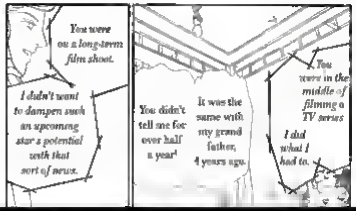
No matter how many years go by I'm still a fool
Kitty!
Why am I always so stupid?
What was I expecting from Jake?
Kitty?
Hold on!
Kitty!

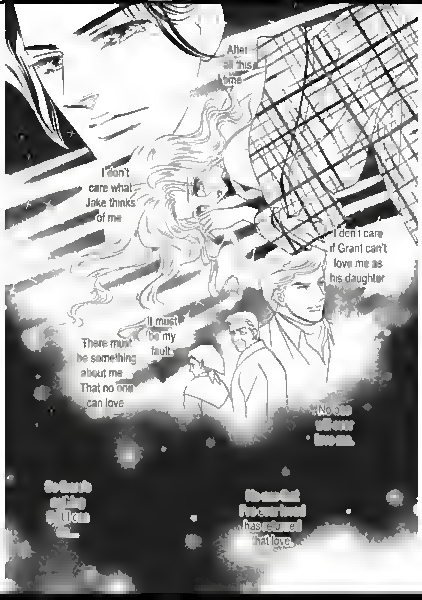

Answer your phone already!
Kitty!
Beep
Ring Ring
Ring Ring
Kitty!
Grant.
Do you want me to get really angry?
Kitty!
I know you can hear me!
You shouldn't drive.
You're upset.
No.
No. I can get back by myself.
Kitty.
I'm fine.
...All right.
I'll take you.
I want to get away from you!
I said, leave me alone!
...in that case.
Well...

Listen Kitty
Those are the people who threw you out 8 years ago.
You're calling the deaths of my grandparents 'that sort of news'?
That sort of news?
That's right...
but still I
They told you never to show your face again, right?
...when you come to me.
8 years ago
and now I'll really never see their faces again
My grandparents raised me!
I bought the house and land from the land baron and gave it to your grandparents
Kitty.
What ever you wanted.
Not only that, I've bought you so many other things


My house.
Where in the hell are you?
Yes, ?
Kitty!
Are you still upset?
You live with me!

...you didn't tell me for 2 months.
when you heard that my grandmother had died.
Grant


You were on a long-term film shoot.
I didn't want to dampen such an upcoming star a potential with that sort of news.
You didn't tell me for over half a year!
It was the same with my grandfather, 4 years ago.
You were in the middle of filming a TV series
I did what I had to.


After all this I know
I don't care what Jake thinks of me
I don't care if Grant can't love me as his daughter
There must be something about me That no one can love
It must be my fault
No one will ever love me.
Because of her Grant has closed all that love.

Grant believes that the power of money can heal my wound
Yes. It's true
Grant bought me so much
I can never tell anyone that he's actually my father
In order not to destroy his bachelor image he's let everyone believe that I'm his young lover
But he still won't let me call him my father!
No
I didn't!
You sold yourself for money!
Click
Hey, Kitty!
Kitty!

Roar

Jake...
Jake, wait!
Don't go!
Don't leave me!

You can't abandon me, too!
No!
Don't leave me behind!
You can't leave!

it couldn't be!
W what?
Wasn't that the land baron?
Hey!
Crash

It's an old house! It's going to collapse!
Where a the fire brigade?

No! It's supposed to be empty.
Is there anyone inside?

Stop!
Wait!
What are you doing?

Kitty...!
Kitty.
Kitty.
I love you, Kitty.
Will you marry me?
Jake...
You're the only one for me.

Kitty!
Kitty!
Kitty!

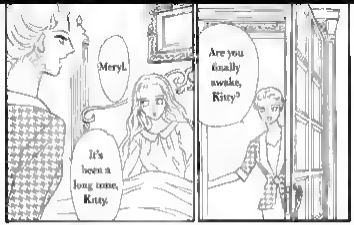
I'll marry you
Kitty..
Kitty.
I'm so happy, Jake.
I love you, too.
Yes.
Yes, Jake.
Do you mean it, Kitty?
You'll marry me?
I'll marry you,

...someone was carrying me.
I remember...
You inhaled a lot of smoke.
but you don't have any major burns.
The doctor said your lungs may hurt for a while.
Jake
It's a true miracle that Master Jake was passing by your old house, Kitty.
That was Master Jake, of course.
Yes. Mistress Meryl is here.
It seems noisy today.
Hurry!
That's right!
You've been unconscious for almost 2 days now!
You're finally awake.
Oh, Kitty.
Jessie?
Where am I...?
What am I doing here?
I couldn't breathe because of the smoke.
it hurt an much. I remember!
...I remember
Your house caught an fire.
You don't remember?
Fire?

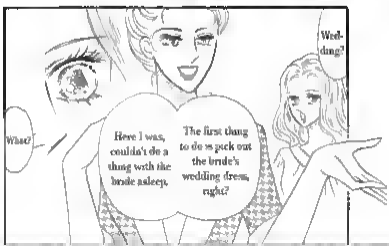
Kitty!
What?
What do you mean?
Who's... getting married...?

Did you forget?
and you said yes.
I proposed to you.
Jake?

"Let's get married, Kitty."
What did you say?
What a troublesome bride.

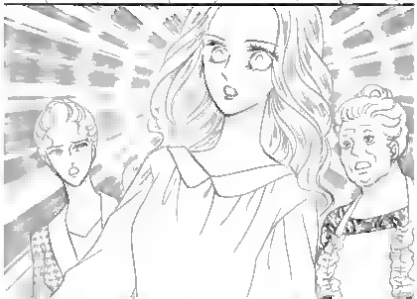

Meryl.
It's been a long time, Kitty.
Are you finally awake, Kitty?

He asked me to help with the wedding.
My brother called me.


What?
Here I was, couldn't do a thing with the bride asleep.
The first thing to do is pick out the bride's wedding dress, right?
Wedding?

Jake?
...even if it's you.
...and I won't let you take it back.
You said yes...

Grab
That wasn't a dream.



You know you said yes to me.
You can't pretend it was a dream.

I won't let anyone interfere...
This time, I fully intend to marry you

I can have clothes sent to me from London.
Never mind the wedding dress.
All your clothes were burned up in the fire.
That isn't necessary.
I'll buy all of your clothes from now on.
Jake!
You can throw away all your old clothes.
What?
The place will be in the manor house garden.
The ceremony is a week from now.
I asked you to start the preparations ahead of time.
There's no way we can get everything ready in a week!
Jake
A week from now?
What about Kitty's wedding dress?
...but the invitations, and guest list...
Yes, I've contacted the caterer for the party...
This is no time to be sleeping, dear.
Oh, dear

I won't do it!
You can't ask me that!

If you're going to be mourned to me, you'll have to do as I say.

Master Jake...
I can't do that!

You don't need that mooma.
Master?
Kitty is a popular actress!

You have to leave behind your old life as the actress, Kitty Corgan.

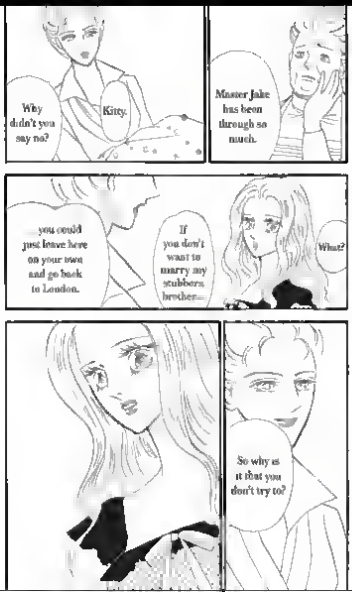
I want you to quit acting, as well.

What?

Kitty.
You don't seem very excited.
We just need to tighten the waist a little and it should fit you.
How could I be?
Jake has changed.
He didn't used to have.
...that stubborn steadfast-ness.

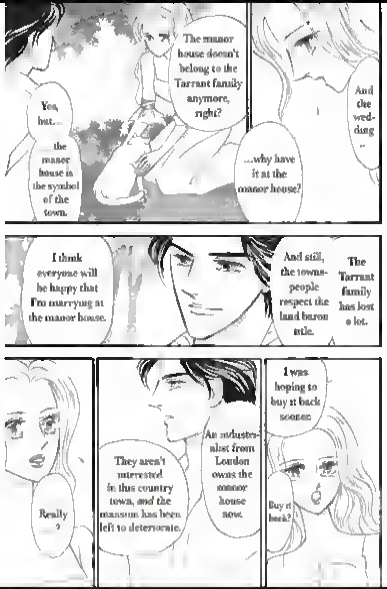
Oh, my! It's beautiful.
Kitty!
How about that dress?
It was our grand-mother's.
It's very rare to find a gorgeous antique dress like that
...but I wore it.
Our mother didn't want to wear something old.
...it's beautiful.
Yes,.

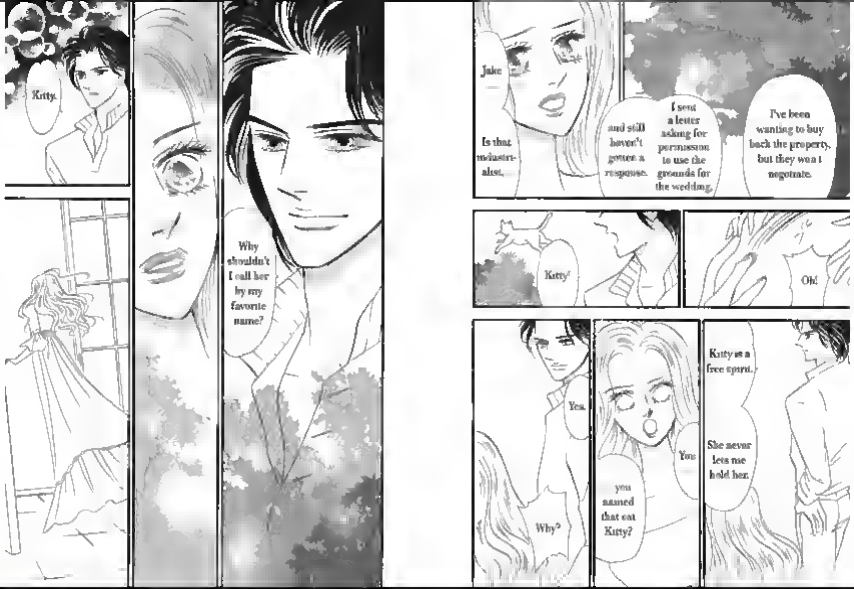
It's because I love Jake.
I love Jake more than I can bear
But.
I don't know what Jake is thinking.
He risked his life to save you!
Kitty!
How can you say that you don't believe Jake loves you?
My brother broke a window and jumped into a burning house!
I can't believe that Jake would really love me.


Why didn't you say no?
Kitty.
Master Jake has been through so much.
you could just leave here on your own and go back to London.
If you don't want to marry my stubborn brother...
What?
So why is it that you don't try to?

A cat ?
Whose cat is this?
Kitty.

Kitty.


The manor house doesn't belong to the Tarrant family anymore, right?
And the wedding..
Yes, but... the manor house is the symbol of the town.
...why have it at the manor house?
I think everyone will be happy that I'm marrying at the manor house.
And still, the townspeople respect the land baron title.
The Tarrant family has lost a lot.
Really?
They aren't interested in this country town, and the mansion has been left to deteriorate.
An industrialist from London owns the manor house now.
I was hoping to buy it back soonest.
Buy it back?
But she'll still come here to eat.
She was a stray, so she didn't take to living indoors.
I found her hurt last year.
My brother broke a window and jumped into a burning house!
Why do you want to get married?
Why is one?
Hm?
Jake..
why do you want..


Kitty.
Why shouldn't I call her by my favorite name?
Jake
Is that unfortunate.
and still haven't gotten a response.
I sent a letter asking for permission to use the grounds for the wedding.
I've been wanting to buy back the property, but they won't negotiate.
Kitty!
Oh!
Yes.
Why?
You
you named that cat Kitty?
Kitty as a free spirit.
She never lets me hold her.

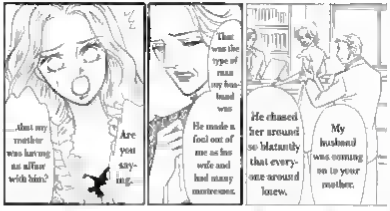
Lady Sophie?
Your mother?
What?
Jake and Mother haven t spoken in years.
Mery? ...
Some-thing he can never forgive her for..
Mother did something terrible to Jake.
I always thought Jake got along well with his mother.
Why is Lady Sophie living with you instead of Jake?
...but I want my brother to be happy and reconcile with our mother
For that, I need your help.
Kitty
I wasn't as close to you as Jake was back then.
What was it...?
He risked his life to save me.
I don't understand Jake
I don t understand
Kitty.
Why did he marry someone else?
Then why did he leave me 8 years ago?
Does this mean that Jake loves me ?
Kitty.
I don t understand
I want you to come to my house and meet my mother
Where are we going?
Will you come with me, Kitty?
Meryl

The lady of the Tarrant family that was hosting the party 6 years ago.
Lady Sophie Tarrant
There's no trace of that anymore.
She was always so cheerful and elegant in the entrance of all those people.
You don't hate him for that?
Jake left you.
I was young...
I intend to.
Yes.
You're getting married to Jake?
Meryl told me.
All I want is for you to hear what Mother has to say.
My help?
What can I do?
I'm asking you to listen until the very end, no matter what she says.
That's why
I made her promise to tell you everything.

What?
I told Jake...
...that you were his sister.
I didn't hate him.
...I just couldn't believe it.
I still can't fully believe in Jake.
8 years ago...
I was the one who made Jake leave you.
What was it?
I told Jake something...
that would force him to.

Can you imagine how ashamed I felt, being pitied by a younger woman?
The pity in her eyes.
I can never forget your mother's face as she left.
...and never even showed up for the New Year's Eve party.
My husband spent the night at his lover's.
I was always being pitied.
The next morning.
I found you in Jake's room.

...once worked in my husband's office?
Kitty, did you know that your mother
Why would you do that...?
No.

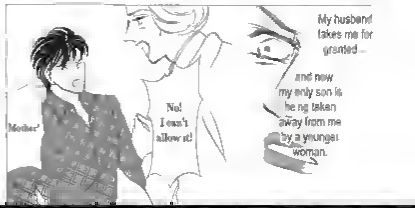

...that my mother was having an affair with him?
Are you saying.
That was the type of man my husband was
He made a fool out of me as his wife and had many mistresses.
He chased her around so blatantly that everyone around knew.
My husband was coming on to your mother.

She had a different lover.
Your mother quit her job to escape my husband.
No.

And Jake believed you?
Rumors about my husband were all over town.
It was enough to make Jake give you up.
Jake knew that he wasn't faithful to me.
Sway
Kitty is your little sister!

with the heavenly contented expression of an angel
All I could see was the woman who had plied me sleeping there peacefully.

I want to marry her.
Mother, I love Kitty.
Jake! What have you done?


Mother!
No! I can't allow it!
My husband takes me for granted...
and now my only son is being taken away from me by a younger woman.

Jake blamed me for the mess that his life had become.
He won't even give me the chance to apologize.
Ever since,
he won't speak to me.
Do you even know ...how much I've lost because of your lie?
I can't ever forgive you for this, either!
Of course he won't!

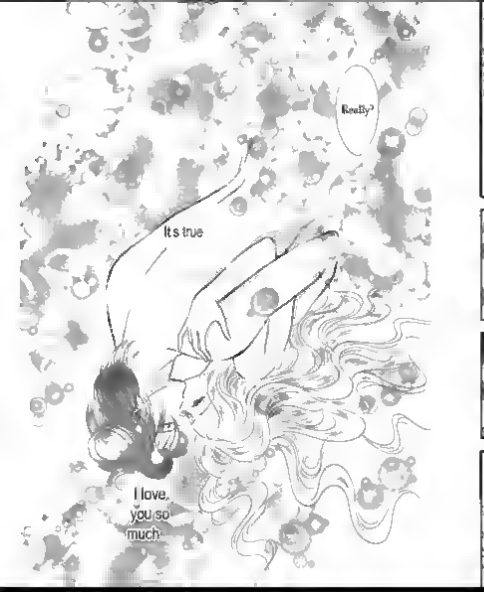
I only love you...
I can't love you.
Jake a little sister
Jake thought I was his sister
that we were related by blood
Jake. About Kitty
I lied...
Several years ago...
I fell in.
I swore never to tell him.
My mind must have slipped.
Why else would he talk about marriage again...?
Then Jake must know that it was a lie now.

You need to understand the reason that you and Jake broke up.
Please forgive her
For that, she needs your forgiveness.
That's as close to an apology as Mother will give.
Mother wants desperately to reconcile with Jake.
Imagine how he must have felt when he had to say goodbye to you.
If you love my brother...
You're the only one who can untie these tight knots of pain and suffering.
How long Jake has been waiting for this.
You have to understand everything.

The pain of being cast away
All that wasted time...
There are plenty of things that will never be the same!
No!
Can't that be enough?
But now, in the end, you finally have Jake back.
I can never get it back!
Kitty!
Wait, Kitty!
Kitty!

I want you to be serious about marrying him with all your heart.
It's the only way That everyone can be happy.
I love you Kitty
Really?
It was from the manor house's real estate management.
I just got a phone call.
Jake.
They've approved the use of the grounds for our wedding.

That he s
always loved
me
I can
have h
love
I can
be happy
This
time
I'll
believe
in him
I'll believe
that Jake
really loves me


Really?
It's true
I love you so much

Kitty.
Jake.

I love you.

I've...
...always loved only you.

Jake.
He's still here
Kitty.
What is this?
The property rights to the manor house!
What?
Are you the owner of the manor house?
Registered to Kitty Corgan!
The owner is Cornwall Holdings.

The mail is here.
Master Jake.
Right.
Jake.

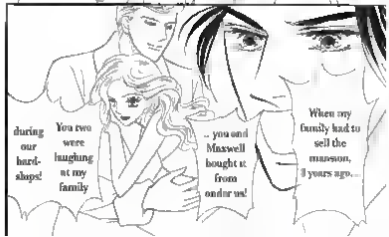
Jake!
No!
Did you enjoy taking revenge on me for leaving you?

A present for me?
That's why I had the property forms sent over
A wedding present.
I wanted to make the manor house a present for you.

Jake!
...that you bought by being Maxwell's woman?
You expect me to accept a present...

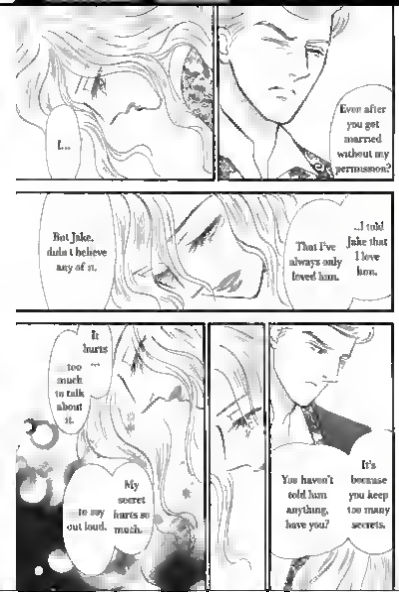
Corgan and Maxwell
Cor-well ...?
JUMP
Jake, it's...
Why would you...?

Did you have Count Maxwell buy it?
Is Cor-well your company?


during our hard-ships!
You two were laughing at my family
... you and Maxwell bought it from under us!
When my family had to sell the mansion, 3 years ago...

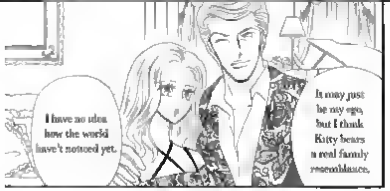
Katty!
You're not really leaving, are you?
Katty?
Having a light the day after the wedding?

Horrible?
I don't think it's as horrible as you, saying you'd marry me while continuing your relationship with Maxwell!
That's horrible, Jake!
I don't want a wife like that!
Get out!
Go back to Maxwell!
You can go on taking money from him as his mistress!


I...
Even after you get married without my permission?
But Jake, didn't believe any of it.
That I've always only loved him.
...I told Jake that I love him.
It hurts too much to talk about it.
My secret hurts so much.
to say out loud.
You haven't told him anything, have you?
It's because you keep too many secrets.

Katty.
It's the same as 8 years ago.
You, crying into my lap.
8 years later, nothing has changed.
I never get... ...to have what I want...
Any of it.
...It can't change

Jake is here?
That was the guard at the lobby.
Your husband will find his way here to the 12th floor in about 5 minutes.
What?
Slam
Less than 5, it seems.
I'm taking her home!
Kitty is my wife!
Jake!
Hing Hing
Kitty...
Let him through.
All right.
Yes?
You don't want your husband to see you like that, do you?
Your crying makes you look a child.
Go wash up, Kitty.

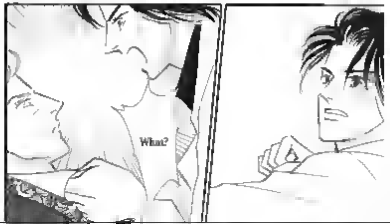

I have no idea how the world hasn't noticed yet.
It may just be my ego, but I think Kitty bears a real family resemblance.

I'm prepared to hold a press conference as soon as tomorrow to announce that she's my daughter.
It isn't necessary to keep the fans happy with needless rumors anymore.

Now, it's your turn.
I've told my secret.
Kitty,
Are you sure?
Grant?

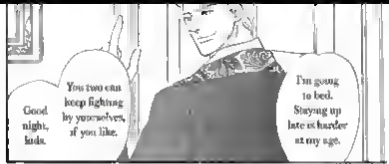
Jake, no!
But first.

I'm Kitty's father.

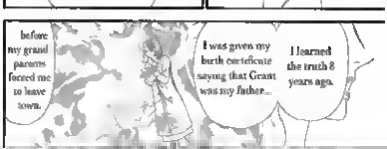

What?

Because I...
was pregnant!
Because
Forced you to leave?
Why would your grandparents force their own granddaughter to leave?

Don't ever show your face around here again!
You take after that mangy father of yours!
My grandparents called me a harlot..


Good night, kids.
You two can keep fighting by yourselves, if you like.
I'm going to bed. Staying up late is harder at my age.

My mother met Grant before he got famous.
My grandmother stopped her from following Grant to the U.S. to become a star.
After she died giving birth to me, Grant never came back.
Click
How...?
Grant Maxwell is your father...?


before my grandparents forced me to leave town.
I was given my birth certificate saying that Grant was my father...
I learned the truth 8 years ago.

It was born months premature.
...It was stillborn.
The baby
...what happened to it?
It's because I was only thinking of myself...and not the baby
I let Jake's baby die!
It's my fault
Why?
Why isn't my baby crying?
I killed it!
Please! Cry!
How could I tell you?
You got engaged to that rich girl...
Why didn't you tell me, Kitty?
I told you to tell me if you got pregnant...
...they would let me tell you.
There was no way...
If the land baron hears you say that, we'll be run out of town!
My grandparents would...
It's Jake's baby?
Don't lie!
Grant let me live at his house on the condition I not tell anyone I was his daughter
...so I had to go to Grant.
I didn't know what to do.

It was your only choice.
I heard why you did it.
That was my only choice at the time.
Yes, ..
...I was riding inside with jealousy.
When I heard the rumors about you and Maxwell.
...and married another woman to forget about you.
I pushed you away ..

It's not your fault!
It's mine!
...but I let you go ..!
I loved you...

An insatiable passion.
I had to face the fact...
...that you're the only one I can love.
Jake...

I wished...
...that this time.
...I could love you and live together with you.

No one will get in the way anymore.
We're not the children we were 8 years ago.

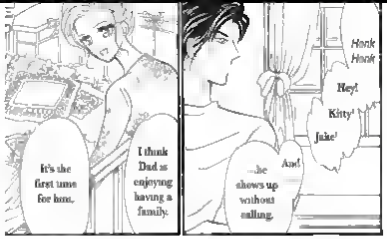
I don't have the right to blame you.
No one can bring back the past.
No matter how many times I told myself that, I couldn't stop my jealousy.

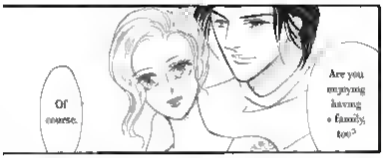
I even tried to hate you.
I wanted to forget about you by convincing myself you didn't matter

But...
...as soon as we met again...
...I was forced to realize that I've always been in love with you.
I couldn't stop my feelings toward you.

Slam
Did I ruin the mood?
Whoops.
Needed the bathroom
Groan!
1 year later

No matter who,...
...tries to interfere with us.
Oh, Katy.
I won't leave you, ashton.
...I won't leave you,

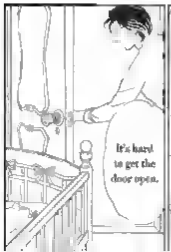

It's the first time for him.
I think Dad is enjoying having a family.
Honk Honk
Hey!
Kitty!
Jake!
And!
...he shows up without calling.


Of course.
Are you enjoying having a family, too?

A place where I can write my novels at my own pace.
It's wonderful.
A beautiful daughter...
A loving husband

A full-grown adult could sleep in this.
Dad had it especially made.

Where did that enormous baby bed come from?


It's hard to get the door open.

He said he wants his grandchild to have the finest things.

They're all happy endings
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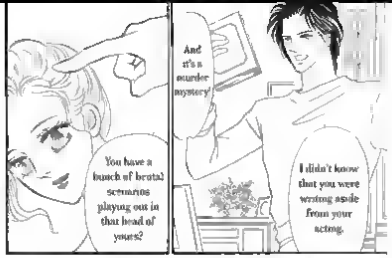
And it's a murder mystery!
I didn't know that you were writing aside from your acting.
You have a bunch of brutal scenarios playing out in that head of yours?

No, not brutal.
In my mysteries...
...an master what happens.
...things always work out.

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